

Remarks


Claims 1-14 are pending in this application. Applicants believe that claims 5 and 12 are allowable. Therefore, Applicants have amended claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 5 and amended claim 8 to incorporate the limitations of claim 12. Claims 5, 6, 12 and 13 have been canceled.

Conclusion

Based on the above arguments and amendments, Applicants believe that claims 1-4, 7-11 and 14 are now in a condition for allowance and therefore respectfully request the Examiner to allow these claims.

This application is being filed within 3 months of the date of the office action and therefore it is believed that no fee is due. If however, that is incorrect, any fee due may be charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2442.

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